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TOP STORIES

ND EPSCoR announces new faculty start up awards

North Dakota EPSCoR announces the award of \$415,500 in new faculty start-up monies to UND academic departments.

The North Dakota Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (ND EPSCoR) has announced that five academic departments will share in \$415,500 designated for new faculty start-up opportunities. These funds are made available to departments on a competitive basis and are designed to enhance the start-up packages offered to prospective research faculty during the hiring process.

Awards, which are of two years duration and begin in August 2007, were made to the College of Nursing; Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology, and the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics in the School of Medicine and Health Sciences; the Department of Biology in the College of Arts and Sciences; and the Department of Atmospheric Sciences in the John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences.

According to Peter Alfonso, vice president for research at and co-chair of the ND EPSCoR steering committee, "the new faculty start-up awards constitute one of the most important components of the multi-faceted EPSCoR program." He went on to express appreciation to the National Science Foundation and the State of North Dakota for their support of research through this innovative program in which North Dakota's public research universities, UND and NDSU, have been a partner since 1986.

The awards were recently announced by Gary Johnson, co-project director of ND EPSCoR and assistant vice president for research at UND. Johnson added, "The overall goal of ND EPSCoR is to increase the competitiveness of North Dakota for merit-based grants and contracts in support of science and technology research from federal funding agencies. New faculty start-up awards move UND in the right direction towards meeting this objective."

Funded through federal, state and private sector partnerships, ND EPSCoR manages a comprehensive research development plan that involves infrastructure improvement programs, science outreach and recruitment programs, and technology transfer and commercialization programs.

ND EPSCoR's federal research partners include the National Science Foundation (NSF), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Department of Energy (DOE), National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and the Department of Defense (DOD).

-- Gary Johnson, Assistant Vice President for Research, Division of Research, garyejohnson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2492

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Volunteers sought for winter commencement Dec. 15

Please consider serving as a "Green Vest Volunteer" at one or both of the winter commencement ceremonies which will be held Friday, Dec. 15, at the Chester Fritz Auditorium. Volunteers seat guests, help organize our graduates, and greet campus visitors who will attend the ceremonies.

This year, UND will hold two commencement ceremonies, at 10 a.m. for graduate degrees and at 2 p.m. for undergraduate degrees. Volunteers are asked to report to the lower level of the Chester Fritz Auditorium 90 minutes

prior to the beginning of the ceremony for a short briefing and to receive their assignments. We anticipate the ceremonies to be one and one-half hour in length.

If you are able to volunteer for one or both ceremonies, please contact the Office of Ceremonies and Special Events in the Vice President for Student and Outreach Services Office at 777-2724 or e-mail terri.machart@mail.und.nodak.edu by Tuesday, Dec. 7. Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

-- Dawn Botsford, Coordinator, Office of Ceremonies and Special Events, dawnbotsford@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-6393

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Blue Cross offers presentations, gift, flu shots

Blue Cross, Blue Shield is proud to offer a brand new Healthy Choices presentation, "Beat the Bug." A member services representative will be on campus over the next two weeks to present this information. These free 30-minute presentations are open to all members of the campus community, and all those in attendance will receive a free cough and cold kit, which is a Blue Cross, Blue Shield travel mug stuffed with many useful items. The schedule follows:

* Thursday, Nov. 30, Memorial Union, Memorial Room:

11:30 a.m. to noon; 12:15 to 12:45 p.m.; 4 to 4:30 p.m.; 4:45 to 5:15 p.m.

Flu shots will be available at this time in the Medora Room.

* Wednesday, Dec. 6, Facilities dining area:

9:30 to 10 a.m.; 10:15 to 10:45 a.m.; 2:30 to 3 p.m.; 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.

* Thursday, Dec. 7, Wellness Center classroom:

8 to 8:30 a.m.; 8:45 to 9:15 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. to noon; 12:15 to 12:45 p.m.

Flu shots will be available at this time at the Wellness Center.

Flu shots are provided by Student Health Services for \$20.

-- Amanda Eickhoff, Coordinator of Wellness, Wellness Center, amandaeickhoff@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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Doctoral examination set for Nelson Rosit

The final examination for Nelson Rosit, a candidate for the D.A. degree with a major in history, is set for 4 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 30, in 217 Merrifield Hall. The dissertation title is "Greening American History: Incorporating an Environmental Perspective into U.S. Survey Courses." Kim Porter (History) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Joseph Benoit, Dean, Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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Matthias Rudolf presents paper on Irish literature Thursday

As part of the English Department Speaker Series, Matthias Rudolf, University of Wisconsin-Madison, will present "Who Is It We're Crying For?: Allegory, Union, and the Loss of Identity in 'Castle Rackrent'" at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, in 116 Merrifield Hall.

Hastily written in so it might be published on the eve of Ireland's legislative union with England, "Castle Rackrent" opens with a paradoxical promise: that Ireland would arrive at a poetic self-recognition through the loss of the very identity it is to recognize. This paper takes up the extraordinary claim of a new poetics to enable an impossible self-discovery as an occasion to rethink the politics of writing in light of the common law tradition of legal discovery. This paper explores the intricate entanglements of the poetic and political implications of the writing of "Union" in "Castle Rackrent," situating this writing in the context of a romanticism that emerges from the nexus of the cultural impact of

the French Revolution and the uneasy confrontation of French and Scottish Enlightenment thought with the common law tradition espoused by Edmund Burke. The writing of "Union" crisscrosses the terrain between the idea of culture and national identity as an "entailed inheritance" over time and their rational derivation on the basis of normative natural right. In "Castle Rackrent," this conflict reappears as a crisis of literary transmission, emblemized as the difference between writing as transcription and as translation.

-- Rebecca Weaver-Hightower, Assistant Professor, English, rwh@und.edu, 777-6391

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Studio One holds Military Appreciation Day

Studio One will host a Military Appreciation Day Thursday, Nov. 30. Capt. Cory Melland of the North Dakota National Guard was stationed for nearly a year at Camp Speicher, 20 miles north of Tikrit, Iraq. On Studio One he will discuss the difficulties of adjusting to everyday life after returning from overseas.

A special invitation is extended to all military personnel and their families to become a part of the studio audience. Studio One airs live on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Tours begin at 4:25 p.m. To reserve a seat in the audience or for more information please call 777-3818.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 701-777-3818

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Join us for our annual Holiday Open House

Barnes & Noble at UND invites you to our annual Holiday Open House, Friday, Dec. 1, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Local authors will be at the store for a signing from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. In-store specials include 25 percent off all our Jansport and Champion imprinted sweatshirts and sweatpants, 25 percent off all board games, holiday boxed cards, and much more. Register for a chance to win a \$500 shopping spree. We look forward to seeing you.

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND, michelle_aberanthey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

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Holiday Art & Craft Fair is Dec. 1

The 28th annual Holiday Art & Craft Fair is Friday, Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom. This traditional event includes artists and crafters from UND and the surrounding community. Items include wood crafts, soy candles, pottery, holiday decorations, glass art, jewelry, fleece blankets, and more.

Admission is free and door prizes will be awarded. Come join us and find that one-of-a-kind gift for that special someone, or take something special home for yourself.

A shuttle van will run between the Memorial Union and Barnes & Noble Bookstore parking lot throughout the day. The Holiday Art & Craft Fair is sponsored by the Memorial Union. For more information contact Bonnie Solberg, 777-2898 or visit <http://www.union.und.edu/>

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English lecturer will sign copies of new film, books Dec. 1

"Heaven is Our Homeland," one in a series of widely-acclaimed and nationally-viewed documentary films by scriptwriter Ron Vossler, has recently received another major award.

On Friday, Dec. 1, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Vossler will sign copies of this film, as well as

his most recent film, which traces a Soviet era genocide with ties to North Dakota. He will also sign copies of his other books and films.

The award, which is his sixth overall, is the Gold Aurora in the Documentary-Historical Category, presented for technical excellence and creativity. Earlier it also received A Crystal Award of Excellence, the top prize in the International Communicator Awards, and the Telly Award, for story telling ability and technical excellence.

This film, produced by the Glueckstal Research Association in cooperation with Prairie Public Television, grew out of numerous research trips by Vossler to Ukraine, Moldova, Germany, Russia, France, Canada, and around the United States.

The focus of the film is the restless odyssey of a distinct, and enduring, group of Germanic speaking farmers, Glueckstalers they called themselves, the people from the valley of luck.

They were a contradiction in terms, progressive farmers and craftsmen, who in the face of extreme adversity -- including not only repression under the Czar and Lenin, but genocide under Stalin -- maintained archaic traditions and beliefs. With their mobile culture they pioneered on several continents, with the greatest concentration of this self-effacing religious group settling in the Dakotas.

Well into the 1960s, as the film points out, some in this group still practiced faith healing, spoke their melodious language, and sang their haunting sorrow songs, some of which date from the 16th century.

-- Ronald J. Vossler, Sr. Lecturer, English, ronald_vossler@und.nodak.edu, 1-218-779-68

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Psychology colloquium set for Dec. 1

A psychology colloquium is set for 3:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, in 302 Corwin/Larimore Hall. Michael Himle, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, will present "Understanding Tic Suppression: Implications for Conceptualizing and Treating Tourette Syndrome and Related Conditions." The public is invited to attend.

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Support World AIDS Day Dec. 1

World AIDS Day is Friday, Dec. 1. This is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV and AIDS. Help stop the spread of HIV and end prejudice.

Wear a red ribbon and red clothing on Friday, Dec. 1. You can pick up a free red ribbon at the Student Health Promotion Office located in the Memorial Union this week. The red ribbon is the international symbol of AIDS awareness; it is worn as a sign of support for people living with HIV.

For more information, contact the Student Health Promotion Office at 777-2097. Student Health also offers free and confidential HIV testing to all UND students throughout the year. Call 777-4500 to make an appointment.

-- Amanda Wyffels, Graduate Service Assistant, Student Health Promotion Office, amanda.wyffels@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2097

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Thursday Music Club Christmas Musicale set for Dec. 3

"Music Lifts Our Hearts in Joy and Praise" is the theme for the Thursday Music Club Christmas Musicale at 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3, at United Lutheran Church, 324 Chestnut St.

A free will offering will be taken for student scholarships to the International Music Camp and UND. For further information, call Darlene Holien, Christmas Musicale chair, at 746-7673.

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Alexander to present on northern Minnesota geology,

microbiology, planetology

E. Calvin Alexander Jr., of the University of Minnesota Department of Geology and Geophysics, Minneapolis, will present a Department of Geology and Geological Engineering (GGE) LEEPS lecture at noon Monday, Dec. 4, in 109 Leonard Hall. The title of Dr. Alexander's talk is "Soudan Mine Seeps: Hydrogeology, Geochemistry, Planetology, and Microbiology." Dr. Alexander comes to Grand Forks with extensive experience in both lunar samples and meteorites and non-point source pollution, especially in karst studies. He has also received significant recognition at Minnesota for his teaching abilities.

LEEPS (Leading Edge of Earth and Planetary Science) lectures are sponsored by GGE alumni for the educational development of our students, faculty, and others wishing to attend. All are welcome.
-- Joseph Hartman, Associate Professor, Geology and Geological Engineering, joseph_hartman@und.edu, 777-5055

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Biology candidate seminar is Dec. 4

Yuk Fai Leung, department of molecular and cellular biology at Harvard University, will present "Genomic Analysis of Zebrafish Eye Development" at noon Monday, Dec. 4, in 141 Starcher Hall. Dr. Leung is a candidate for the genomics position in the biology department. The public is invited to attend.

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Book art exhibit is Dec. 4

On Monday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 4 p.m., in the Badlands Room, Memorial Union, there will be an exhibit of student work from English 413: "The Art of the Book." Student projects attempt to interrogate the traditional format of the book by exploring how text, image, and book design work together to convey meaning. For further information, please contact Heidi Czerwiec at 777-2768.

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Art professor to deliver faculty lecture Dec. 5

Art professor Patrick Luber will discuss his recent artistic research when he presents "The 3Ds of Sculpture: Disinterested, Decorative, or Devotional Object" Tuesday, Dec. 5, in the North Dakota Museum of Art. Luber's lecture is the latest segment of the UND Faculty Lecture Series. A 4 p.m. reception will precede the lecture, which is free and open to the public.

"Not every image or object is fine art," said Luber, "but like fine art, other objects and images we encounter in daily life have the potential to transmit important cultural information."

Luber's lecture will provide insight into some common artistic frameworks by reviewing his past and present artistic/sculptural research. "Historically and academically, the categories of disinterested, decorative, and devotional objects have largely been studied as distinct and separate areas of study," said Luber. "Over the past 10 years, scholars have been examining the important contributions objects from popular culture make to the culture at large and have argued that in fact some objects can simultaneously be disinterested, decorative, and devotional."

Luber's most recent art series - the "Milagros Series" - are sculptural versions of the ex-votos, or "Milagros", that are used in prayer among Roman Catholics of the Southwest United States and Latin America. Luber's Milagros are wired for electricity, and feature a variety of lights and scents that blend, appropriate, and redirect the meaning of commercial objects for use in the worlds of disinterested, decorative, and devotional objects.

"Popular culture references, devotional, decorative, or commercial, have become a mainstay visual strategy in the post-modern art world," Luber said. "The link between popular culture and devotional objects, especially religious kitsch, is not confined to a single culture, but is found in numerous religious and cultural traditions within the Americas."

Luber’s work is included in the permanent collection of the North Dakota Museum of Art as well as numerous private collections. He has performed over 20 solo art exhibitions and numerous group shows on the local, regional, national, and international levels. His work received the Best of Show Award in the 1992 North American Sculpture Competition in Golden, Colo.; Best of Show in the 58th Annual Exhibition (2002) at the Sioux City Art Center, Sioux City, Iowa. Most recently, Luber was awarded a 2006 North Dakota Humanities Council Larry Remele Memorial Fellowship.

When asked where he finds the inspiration for his art Luber responded, “Often, my artworks start with a problem or something that I do not fully understand. Sometimes I work on solving artistic problems, other times I draw from cultural issues that affect our daily lives. I like to think my own artwork as the residue of organized, creative and productive thought.”

Aside from sculpture, Luber has presented several papers on popular American visual culture ranging from folk art and 19th-century American painting to popular commercial art. Currently, Luber has been studying the history of religion and religious material culture in America.

Raised on a farm near Pocahontas, Ill., Luber received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Greenville College in Greenville, Ill. He then earned his Master of Arts and Master of Fine Arts degrees in sculpture from the University of New Mexico and has taught sculpture at the University of North Dakota since 1990.

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St. Nicholas Day celebration is Dec. 6

You are invited to celebrate the holiday season in the spirit of Saint Nicholas Wednesday, Dec. 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Christus Rex Lutheran Campus Center, 3012 University Ave. Join us for a free lunch buffet and music. Ask a friend to join in the festivities. Please bring a non-perishable food item for donation to a local food pantry.

Hosted by the Campus Ministry Association: St Thomas Aquinas Newman Center, Wittenburg Lutheran Chapel, Christus Rex Lutheran Campus Center, and United Campus Ministry.

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Academic Services, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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Biology candidate seminar is Dec. 7

Stephen Ralph, Genome Canda Conifer Forest Health program, University of British Columbia, will present "Forest Tree Defenses Against Insects: Functional Genomics, Biochemistry and Cell Biology" in a biology candidate seminar at 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, in 141 Starcher Hall. Ralph is a candidate for the genomics position in biology. The public is invited to attend.

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PPT/COBRE present seminar Dec. 8

Chris Hague, assistant professor of pharmacology, University of Washington, will present a seminar, "Novel Protein-Protein Interactions of alpha 1-Adrenergic Receptors," Friday, Dec. 8, at 4 p.m. in the Clifford Haugen Lecture Hall, Room 1360, School of Medicine and Health Sciences.

Dr. Hague was invited through the Center of Biomedical Research Excellence (COBRE) and the Department of Pharmacology, Physiology and Therapeutics.

Any questions regarding this seminar can be addressed to Thad Rosenberger at 777-0591. Everyone is welcome to attend.

-- Dawn Halvorson, Administrative Clerk, Pharmacology, Physiology & Therapeutics, dhalvors@medicine.nodak.edu, 777-4293

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U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for Dec. 15-22.

Records Disposal Procedures

Dec. 19, 9-10 a.m.

Memorial Union, Memorial Room

During this workshop you will learn more about the process for destroying or transferring records that have passed their retention time limits. We'll review the system used, discuss why it's necessary to document, and you will take part in a hands-on run-through of the entire process. It's fun to clean out, it's easier to do than you think, and now's the time to do it! Presenter: Chris Austin, Records Manager.

Shipping and Receiving Hazardous Materials

Dec. 19, 10 a.m. to noon

Memorial Union, Memorial Room

Find out what your responsibilities are if you ship or receive hazardous material. If you fill out paperwork for a package, put material in a package, hand a package to a delivery person, receive a package from a delivery person, or open a package containing hazardous material, then you must have this training. Presenter: Greg Krause, Safety and Environmental Health.

Visit our Web site for additional workshops.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: Phone, 777-2128, Email U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or online www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include: (1) workshop title/date, (2) name, (3) department, (4) position, (5) box number, (6) phone number, (7) e-mail, and (8) How you first learned about this workshop. Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

-- Mark Wilkerson, U2 Coordinator, University within the University, mark_wilkerson@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4260

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clarification of NIH policy: limits on resubmission of applications

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) issued the following notice to clarify their policy on the number of resubmissions (known previously as revisions or amendments) allowed for a NIH grant application. NIH will not consider a third resubmission (A3) or higher to any application for extramural support. However, there is no time limit for the submission of the first and second resubmissions (A1 and A2).

Policy: On June 27, 1997, the NIH issued a notice in the NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts (see <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/not97-011.html>) that limited the number of resubmissions permitted as well as the time window during which those resubmitted applications would be received. On May 7, 2003, the NIH modified this policy by eliminating the two-year restriction on the receipt of resubmitted applications (see <http://grants2.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-03-041.html>). The present notice clarifies the policy and its implementation. The policy limiting the number of resubmissions was established following analysis of data indicating that investigators who receive initial funding for a resubmitted application have a lower success rate in obtaining support for a subsequent renewal (competing continuation) application. The likelihood of subsequent success decreased with an increasing number of resubmissions.

Clarification of what constitutes a new application: Investigators who have submitted three versions (01, 01A1, 01A2, or 06, 06A1, 06A2, etc.) of an application and have not been successful often ask NIH staff what constitutes a "new application." A new application is expected to be substantially different in content and scope with more significant differences than are normally encountered in a resubmitted (amended) application. A new application should include

substantial changes in all sections of the research plan, particularly in the specific aims and the research design and methods sections. There should be fundamental changes in the questions being asked and/or the outcomes examined. Changes to the research plan should produce a significant change in direction and approach for the research project. What constitutes “significant” and “substantial” is inevitably a scientific judgment for which no set of universally applicable examples can be provided. Rewording of the title and specific aims or incorporating minor changes in response to comments of reviewers in the most recent summary statement does not constitute substantial changes in scope, direction or content. Requests for review by a different review committee or funding consideration by a different NIH institute are not sufficient reasons to consider an application as new.

Applications received by the NIH are screened multiple times and checked to determine if the application is a new application, not simply another version of a project that has already received three reviews. The first check is done within the Division of Receipt and Referral (DRR) in the Center for Scientific Review (CSR). Subsequent checks are performed by the scientific review administrator in charge of the review meeting, by the reviewers themselves, and by NIH program staff.

If there is disagreement about whether an application assigned to CSR for review is new or resubmitted, CSR staff may refer it to a CSR-convened committee that provides further analysis and recommendations to the Division of Receipt and Referral. The evaluation process includes the analysis of previous applications and summary statements to determine the similarities and differences to the current application. Individual institutes and centers have their own evaluation processes. When applications are determined to be a version of an application that has already received three reviews and in violation of this policy, they are administratively withdrawn and are not reviewed. The Division of Receipt and Referral in CSR informs the Program Director/Principal Investigator and institution of this determination. The following questions and answers resources should be of assistance in the process:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/resubmission_q&a.htm

For inquiries, contact:

Office of Extramural Programs, Office of the Director, at 301-435-2768.

Division of Receipt and Referral, Center for Scientific Review, 301-435-0715.

-- Barry I. Milavetz, Associate Vice President for Research, Research Development and Compliance,

barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-4278

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NIH/AHRQ/NIOSH grant applications now limit appendix materials

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has issued the following notice regarding a change in policy limiting appendix materials that may be submitted with grant applications to NIH/AHRQ/NIOSH.

The goal of changing the guidelines for grant application appendix materials is to encourage applications to be as concise as possible while containing the information needed for expert scientific review. These changes take advantage of electronic access to many publications and should make application preparation and handling easier for both applicants and reviewers. It is important to note that the appendix may not be used to circumvent the page limitations of the research plan.

The following changes apply to applications in response to any funding opportunity announcement (FOA) with submission/receipt dates on or after Jan. 3, 2007.

Information that may be included in the application:

- Published manuscripts and/or abstracts that are publicly available in a free, online format may be referenced in the application. These publications may not be included in the appendix. URLs or NIH PubMed Central (PMC) submission identification numbers may be included along with the full reference in the bibliography and references cited section (SF 424RR)/literature cited (PHS 398) section, the progress report publication list section and/or the biographical

sketch section. While there is no limit to the number of URLs or PMC submission identification numbers that can be cited, applicants should be both judicious and concise.

- Applications requiring electronic submission on the SF424 (R&R) may include graphic images of gels, micrographs, photographs, etc. in the research plan PDF; however these images may not be included in the appendix (except when part of a qualifying publication). See the SF 424 (R&R) application guide for guidance as to size and resolution of images.

Materials allowed in the appendix:

Publications:

- Applicants may submit up to three of the following types of publications. Any exceptions will be noted in specific FOAs.
- Manuscripts and/or abstracts accepted for publication but not yet published.
- Published manuscripts and/or abstracts only when a free, online, publicly available journal link is not available.
- Patents materials directly relevant to the project.

Other:

- Surveys, questionnaires, data collection instruments, clinical protocols, and informed consent documents may be submitted in the appendix as necessary.
- Paper PHS398 applications only may include full-sized glossy photographs of material such as electron micrographs or gels in the appendix; however, an image of each (may be reduced in size but readily legible) must also be included within the page limitations of the research plan.

Format of Appendix Materials

- For electronic submission using the SF 424 (R&R) forms and Grants.gov, appendix materials must be submitted in PDF format.
- For paper submission using the PHS 398, appendix materials may be submitted in paper format; five collated sets are needed.
- Applicants are encouraged to send appendix materials submitted with paper PHS 398 applications on a CD in PDF format in lieu of the five collated sets. See application instructions for details on preparing CDs. Only a single CD need be sent.
- For materials that cannot be submitted electronically or materials that cannot be converted to PDF format; (e.g., medical devices, prototypes, DVDs, CDs), applicants should contact the scientific review administrator for instructions following notification of assignment of the application to a study section. If the SRA is listed in the FOA, they should be contacted in advance to address acceptability of materials.

Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) details

- Any FOAs that currently disallow publications in the appendix will continue to do so.
- FOAs currently allowing more than three publications will only allow three for receipt dates on or after Jan. 3.
- FOAs allowing fewer than three publications will now allow three.
- In the case of multi-project applications up to three publications will be allowed for each project.
- FOAs may have additional appendix requirements specified other than publications. In these cases, follow the FOA instructions, which prevail.

Inquiry

Inquiries regarding this notice should be directed to:

Grants Info, Office of Extramural Research, National Institutes of Health, phone: 301-435-0714, TTY: 301-451-0088

E-mail: grantsinfo@nih.gov

-- Barry I. Milavetz, Associate Vice President for Research, Research Development and Compliance,

barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-4278

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This is last chance to comment on new general education

proposal

The General Education Task Force is in its final stages of soliciting feedback on the proposed new General Education Program. Full details about the proposal can be found in the Nov. 14 and 16 editions of the University Letter. Comments and questions should be directed to either Tom Steen, thomas.steen@und.edu, or Anne Kelsch, anne.kelsch@und.edu, Task Force co-chairs. All comments should be submitted before the task force's final meeting of the semester on Dec. 8. In January, the Task Force will finalize its proposal for submission to University Senate and the Provost.

-- Anne Walker, Assoc Prof, Teaching and Learning, anne.walker@und.edu, 777-3162

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Deadline is Jan. 16 for SSAC travel applications

The third deadline for submission of applications to the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee is Tuesday, Jan. 16. Travel applications will be considered only for travel that will occur between Jan. 17 and May 1, 2007. No other applications will be considered.

The fourth deadline for submission of applications is Thursday, Feb. 15. Research/creative activity and publication grant applications, as well as applications for new faculty scholar awards, will be considered. No travel applications will be considered.

Tuesday, May 1, is the final deadline for submission of travel grant applications. This deadline is for travel occurring between May 2 and Sept. 15, 2007. No other applications will be considered.

The committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare their proposals and be specific and realistic in their budget requests. The proposal should be written with a multidisciplinary readership in mind. Avoid technical jargon and undefined abbreviations. Although the SSAC encourages submission of research/creative activity proposals and travel/publication requests, the committee takes into consideration the most recent SSAC awards granted to each applicant. Priority will be given to beginning faculty and first-time applicants. Requests for research/creative activity awards may not exceed \$2,500. The committee receives requests for funding that far exceed funds available for awards; therefore, please prepare your application carefully.

Application forms are available at Research Development and Compliance (RD&C), 105 Twamley Hall, 777-4278, or on RD&C's home page (on UND's home page under "Research"). A properly signed original and 11 copies of the application must be submitted to RD&C prior to or on the published deadline. Applications that are not prepared in accordance with the directions on the forms will not be considered by the committee. Please feel free to contact any of the current SSAC members for information or guidance when preparing your application. Their names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses are available on RD&C's home page or by calling RD&C at 777-4278.

-- B. P. Bandyopadhyay, Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, bishubandyo@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-2571

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NIH offers regional seminars

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Extramural Research (OER) sponsors semiannual NIH regional seminars on program funding and grants. The seminars are intended to help demystify the application and review process, clarify federal regulations and policies, and highlight current areas of special interest or concern. The seminars serve the NIH mission of providing education and training for the next generation of biomedical and behavioral scientists. NIH policy, grants management, review and program staff provide a broad array of expertise and encourage personal interaction between themselves and seminar participants. The seminars are appropriate for grants administrators, researchers, and graduate students.

- Registration fee is approximately \$300 for the seminars.
- Direct all seminar specific registration and logistical questions to the host institutions below.
- For general or program related information on the NIH Regional Seminars, please contact SeldenC@mail.nih.gov or

301-435-8685.

- For Salt Lake City, questions regarding registration or logistics may be directed to seminar co-chairs Tony Onofrietti, director of research education, or Brent Brown, director of sponsored projects, at 801-581-3003.
- For Research Triangle Park, N.C., questions regarding registration or logistics may be directed to Wendy Sprintz at 919-668-5947 or wendy.sprintz@duke.edu.

The NIH regional seminars are limited in size. Please secure confirmation of registration before purchasing airline tickets, etc.

Upcoming seminars and registration information:

* March 5-7, 2007; Salt Lake City, Utah; Sponsor: University of Utah; registration information can be found at <http://conferences.utah.edu/nih2007/>

* April 24-26, 2007; Research Triangle Park, N.C.; Co-sponsors: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC), North Carolina State University (NCSU), North Carolina Central University (NCCU), Duke University Medical Center (DUMC), RTI International (RTI), North Carolina Biotechnology Center (NCBC); registration information can be found at http://www.ncbiotech.org/services_and_programs/intellectual_exchange/2007NIHRegionalSeminar.html

-- Barry I. Milavetz, Associate Vice President for Research, Research Development and Compliance, barrymilavetz@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-4278

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Administrative internship opportunity on universal access is available

The administrative internship component of the Presidential Leadership Programs is designed for faculty and staff interested in additional administrative work. Each year, up to eight participants are matched with approved internship projects and mentors across campus. On average, interns will work six hours per week on their projects and attend monthly meetings to network with other interns. The intern will receive a stipend of \$500 per semester. To apply, call 777-4824 or e-mail victoria.beard@mail.und.edu for an application. This new internship opportunity is open until filled:

#2006-09, Universal Access at UND: Unlocking the Mysteries of Access

MENTOR: Judy Sannes, assistant director, Disabled Student Services, and Kathy Smart, assistant professor of teaching and learning

TIME: One semester (to begin as soon as possible)

The UND ADA facilities subcommittee is seeking an intern to work on a pilot project aimed at increasing the awareness and understanding of universal design in making buildings physically accessible. The end product of this project will be a one-day summit or conference in late spring 2007. In addition, there is the possibility that this conference could become an annual event at UND. The intern will learn about state and federal accessibility standards, the differences between the two when complying with state standards and federal laws, the genesis of accessibility in America, as well as the plans for the future and upcoming changes to federal and state standards.

The intern should have an interest in administration and project work. An interest in accessibility and facilities is desirable. Effective written and verbal skills are necessary. Strong computer skills are important and webpage experience a plus. This internship will offer an opportunity to gain experience in committee work, develop additional skills in program planning, organizing, communication, budget development, development of promotional materials and project evaluation. The unique blend of the two mentors' interests and experience is well suited for an intern interested in developing the skills needed to organize this pilot project and work with diverse groups in the areas of education and disability access.

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Leadership class open to non-honors students

The honors program invites non-honors students to enroll for a new spring 2007 class, HON 292-Colloquium in Social

Sciences: Leaders as Scholars. According to the 2005-2007 Undergraduate Catalog, this class will also count as a general education requirement in the social science category.

This three-credit class, meeting Thursdays from 3 to 5:15 p.m., has limited seating, and will require permission from the instructor to register. For more information, please call instructor Kay Powell.

-- K. M. Powell, Student Life Coordinator, Honors Program, kristin.powell@und.edu, 701-777-6218

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Nominations sought for outstanding faculty academic advisor

The academic advising committee is now accepting nominations for the Outstanding Faculty Academic Advisor Award to be presented at Founders Day 2007. To access the nomination form online, go to sas.und.edu/forms/nomination.php

Paper nomination forms are available at the following locations: Union info desk, Student Academic Services, deans' offices, and Student Government. All students, faculty, staff, and alumni are eligible to nominate an undergraduate faculty academic adviser for this award. Nominations will be accepted through Jan. 19.

For more information, please contact Student Academic Services, 201 Memorial Union, 777-2117.

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Academic Services, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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Nominate artists and arts supporters for awards

The North Valley Arts Council is accepting nominations for outstanding artists and/or arts supporters in three categories:

- Artist of the year, honoring extraordinary achievement in the creation of any art form with an award of \$1,000, underwritten by the Grand Forks Herald;
- Individual support of the arts, honoring extraordinary commitment to the arts through sponsorship, volunteerism, or other support; and
- Corporate support of the arts, honoring extraordinary sponsorship of artists, arts organizations, or events by a regional business.

Last year's recipients were Adam Kemp, Tom and Jackie McElroy Edwards, and Hugo's, respectively.

To nominate in any of these categories, please visit NoVAC's web site at www.novac.org and click on awards; call 777-6120 or e-mail info@novac.org. The deadline is Thursday, Dec. 7.

-- Nicole Derenne, Executive Director, North Valley Arts Council, nicolederenne@novac.org, 777-6120

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Chester Fritz Library lists final exam hours

The Chester Fritz Library will observe the following hours of operation during fall semester final exams:

Friday, Dec. 8 (Reading and Review Day), 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 10, 1 p.m. to midnight

Monday through Thursday, Dec. 11-14, 8 a.m. to midnight

Friday, Dec. 15, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, karencloud@mail.und.edu, 7-2618

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Law Library extends exam hours

The Law Library's extended exam hours follow: Friday, Dec. 1, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2-3, 10 a.m. to midnight; Monday, Dec. 4, through Saturday, Dec. 9, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Sunday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m. to midnight; Monday, Dec. 11, through Thursday, Dec. 14, 7:30 a.m. to midnight; Friday, Dec. 15, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

-- Jane Oakland, Circulation manager, Law Library, oakland@law.und.edu, 7-3482

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Studio One features culinary creations, slackline yoga

Learn to create holiday desserts on the next edition of Studio One on Channel 3 in Grand Forks. Kim Holmes, the owner and head chef of Sanders 1907 in Grand Forks, has made his restaurant a special place to dine whether it's for a birthday, anniversary or just an evening out. This week on Studio One, Holmes will teach us how to create one of his favorite holiday desserts.

Also on the show this week, yoga instructor Sam Salwei can condense a 90-minute yoga workout into nine minutes using a climbing tool called a slackline. Learn how yoga enthusiasts are literally stretching their sport to the limit on Studio One.

Studio One is an award-winning news and information program produced at the University of North Dakota Television Center. The program airs live on UND Channel 3 on Thursdays at 5 p.m. Re-broadcasts can be seen at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. daily and on Saturdays at 10 a.m. Prairie Public Television airs Studio One on Saturday at 6 a.m. The program can also be seen by viewers in Fargo, Bismarck/Mandan and Minot, N.D.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Denver, Colo.; and Winnipeg, Manitoba.

-- Meghan Flaagan, Director of Marketing, Television Center, meghan.flaagan@und.edu, 701-777-3818

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Holiday challenge can keep you on track

We all know that fruits and vegetables provide the wide range of vitamins, minerals, and phytochemicals your body needs to maintain good health and energy levels. And we also know that during this time of year, cookies, cakes, and pies are plentiful. What's the solution? Keep you and your department on track with the five-a-day holiday challenge. For more information and all the materials you will need, contact Amanda Eickhoff at the Wellness Center.

-- Amanda Eickhoff, Coordinator of Wellness, Wellness Center, amandaeickhoff@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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Taco in a Bag now available at Old Main Marketplace Food Court

Check out the new items now available at the Food Court in the Memorial Union, including Taco in a Bag for \$2.49 (after 2 p.m. only \$1.75). Other specials include Taco Burgers on Thursdays, three Sbarro breadsticks for \$.99 with purchase of beverage on Tuesdays, a dozen donut holes served warm for \$1.25, and new homemade breads in the Dakota Deli.

-- Larry Cronin, General Manager, Old Main Marketplace, larrycronin@mail.und.edu, 777-0438

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Cardform. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/COACHES:

POSITION: Licensing Associate/Licensing Assistant, Technology Transfer and Commercialization, #07-153

DEADLINE: (I) 12/04/2006

SALARY: \$50,000 - \$70,000

POSITION: Associate Vice President for Outreach Services and Dean of Outreach Programs, #07-091
DEADLINE: Internal applicants will be considered with the external. Open Until Filled (Review of applications will begin November 15, 2006.)
SALARY: Commensurate with experience

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL: No current openings.

OFFICE SUPPORT:

POSITION: Conference Service Specialist, Continuing Education, #07-154
DEADLINE: (I) 12/5/2006
SALARY: \$20,000 - \$27,000

POSITION: Administrative Secretary, Honors Program, #07-151
DEADLINE: (I) 12/04/2006
SALARY: \$20,400 - \$24,4

CRAFTS/TRADES/SERVICE:

POSITION: Building Services Manager (M-F, 4 a.m. - noon), EERC/Facilities, #07-155
DEADLINE: (I) 12/7/2006
SALARY: \$24,000 - \$29,500

POSITION: Delivery Coordinator (7 a.m.- 3:30 p.m., variable schedule), Dining Services, #07-152
DEADLINE: (I) 12/04/2006
SALARY: \$9.56- \$9.90

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IN THE NEWS

Tracy Evanson receives American Nurses Foundation funding

Tracy Evanson (College of Nursing) has been designated the “2006 Virginia Kelly Award Scholar” for her outstanding research on domestic violence. The award mechanism was established by former President Bill Clinton in honor of his late mother, Virginia Kelly.

Dr. Evanson received the one-year “Virginia Kelly Award” for her current research on domestic violence. She is trying to recruit 8 to 10 participants and expects to complete the study in the summer or fall of 2007. The study will focus on women who are in abusive relationships and have public nurse visits, and finding out what kind of relationship exists between two groups. Recommendations will then be made to help nurses work with women in abusive relationships.

“This is a wonderful honor and also a very competitive award to receive,” shares Dr. Glenda Lindseth, associate dean of research at the College of Nursing. “We extend hearty congratulations to Tracy for her efforts.”

Dr. Evanson’s clinical background is in public health nursing, and she is a clinical nurse specialist in community health nursing. She has worked with multiple vulnerable populations, including children with special health care needs, the homeless, immigrants and refugees, substance abusing pregnant and parenting women, battered women, prisoners, and youth at risk for gang involvement.

She is a qualitative researcher with expertise in descriptive phenomenology. The focus of Dr. Evanson’s research is in the area of domestic violence, specifically looking at the role of public health nurses in prevention and intervention. In

addition, she is also studying the impact of international experiences on baccalaureate nursing students.

Evanson is an assistant professor at the College of Nursing, Department of Family and Community Nursing. She received her doctorate in nursing from the University of Minnesota, a master's degree in community health nursing with a concentration in vulnerable populations from Seattle University, and a bachelor's degree in nursing from the University of North Dakota.

-- Becky Cournia, Alumni & Development Coordinator, College of Nursing, beckycournia@mail.und.edu, 777-4526

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English Department senior lecturer receives fellowship

Senior lecturer Ron Vossler (English) has been awarded the 2006-2007 Larry Remele Fellowship from the North Dakota Humanities Council, for his project titled "Blood Washes Blood?: Genocide and Ethnic Revenge in Ukraine, 1915-1945."

This project draws upon a decade of Vossler's research, including numerous trips to Ukraine and Moldova, filmed interviews with survivors of Soviet-era collectivization, conversations with ethnic Germans who once served in SS Divisions, as well as translations of articles and personal letters derived from German language newspapers in the Dakotas.

Besides examining genocides against ethnic Germans and Jews in Ukraine, this study also reveals surprising connections between the Holocaust and the Soviet-era collectivization period that preceded it.

Funded by the North Dakota Humanities Council, Vossler will present a series of free public presentations on this project around North Dakota.

-- Ronald Vossler, Senior Lecturer, English, ronald_vossler@und.nodak.edu, 1-218-779-68

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